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Mr. Weisberg:

I finished reading Case Open and now realize why no one in the media asked you about your thoughts on Gerald Posner. You had the goods on him.

I must admit, this is the first book of yours I read, and I would like to read more which is one of the reasons I'm writing. I would very much like to purchase your earlier books.

The other reason I'm writing is just to say I'm one of the many young people who wasn't even a thought in their parent's minds when the assasination occured who care about what happened on November 22, 1963.

Everything in our government changed that day and it's a shame that most people don't give a damn. People are so apathetic today, I feel if tomorrow the government issued a statement about what really happened and what it knew, people would nod their heads, say "oh", and then go back to playing Sega or whatever else they were doing. It makes you wonder why the government hasn't done this already.

I don't know if you personally reply to all your letters but I'm curious as to who you think are the other legitimate critics. I've read 19 books on the assasination so far (including Posner's) and I'm curious as to what you think of Harrison Edward Livingstone. He's said some rather disturbing things about the autopsy photos and the Zapruder film (even that some of the frames are animations).

I know you don't think to highly of Oliver Stone, but I have to credit him as being the one that got me interested and raised my awareness of the assasination. After seeing JFK, it made me give a damn. I've been reading everything I can get my hands on about the assasination ever since. I think Stone is responsible for a lot of us young "kids" (I'm 25) getting involved in finding out what really happened that day.

It's strange that at my age, I feel I care more about something that happened over thirty years ago than I do with all the current problems today. But that's probably because I feel what happened back in 1963 is the root of all our problems today. If we can come to some kind of closure then we can really deal with what's going on today.

Thank you for keeping the struggle alive, even at your 80 plus years. We need more people like yourself who really care. I know I'll be doing my share when I'm in my 80's as I try to do in my 20's now.

Sincerely,

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